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In re Application of:

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For: DECORATIVE SHEET FOR IN-MOLD DECORATING INJECTION

MOLDING, DECORATIVE MOLDING AND IN-MOLD

DECORATING INJECTION MOLDING METHOD

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of each of the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are attached.

The enclosed Japanese documents were cited by the Examiner in a corresponding Japanese application, now patented. Abstracts for each are attached.

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any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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